User's Guide

Welcome. See in this guide information about the service, how it works, how to join, how to use and tips, advanced use, rules and other things.

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About

What is Commboard online?

Commboard online is an abbreviation of Communication Board online. The name was pulled of the name "Commboard Argh!!!", name used by a teacher (Tutty) to nominate a board in the wall where the students fixed flyers, little posters, and others things to shows funny things, funny words, cartoons in English Language. There were things on that board we could say: - Argh!!!

There is the same idea to this web site of that board in the wall. Here is a place where you can learn and share online your funny words, knows, cartoons, etc.

The web site was made to English language students, but anyone can participate.

What does mean "beta" in the name? Beta means web site software don't full, in tests yet.

How it works?

The people join in the web site filling a little form, them the information as username and password are sent by e-mail to the user. The user visits the web site http://shdo.com.br/comm/ and use the information to log in the web site.

After log in, one form is showed and the spree can start. The users can post messages, links, tips, images, videos and replies to other posts. The web interface of the web site proposes a good interaction between the users.

How to join in 3 steps

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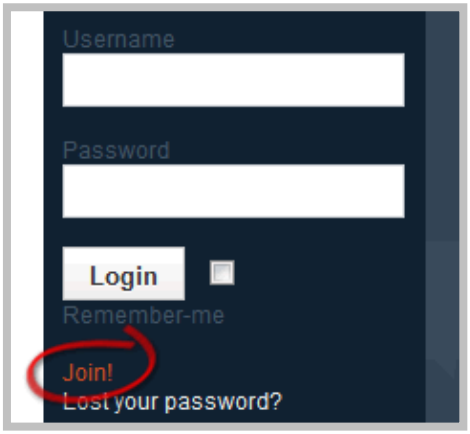
Step 1) Enter in the web site http://shdo.com.br/comm/ and look for the form as showed in the image on the side and click at the link **Join!**.

Entre no web site http://shdo.com.br/comm/ e procure pelo formulário como é mostrado na figura ao lado e clique em *Join*.



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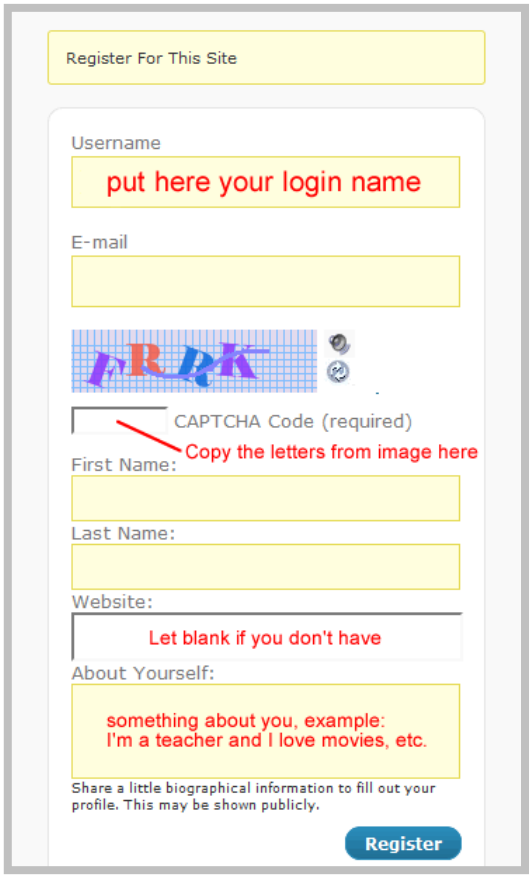
Step 2) Fill the fields and click on Register.

Preencha os campos e clique em *Register*

Curiosity: What is *Captcha*?
Captcha is an image where the users copy the symbols on a box to prove that they are humans and not a software filling the form. It is prevent of the website's software from other software called of robots, used to hacking or to frustrate the service. Software still has difficult to do an image recognize.


Register For This Site
Username
put here your login name
E-mail
CAPTCHA Code (required)
Copy the letters from image here
First Name:
Last Name:
Website:
Let blank if you don't have
About Yourself:
something about you, example:
I'm a teacher and I love movies, etc.
Share a little biographical information to fill out your profile. This may be shown publicly.
Register

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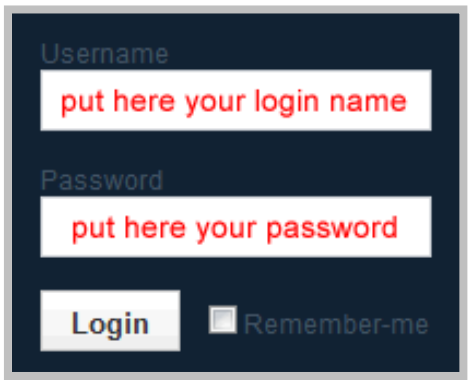
Step 3) Get the informations sent to your e-mail, come back to the web site http://shdo.com.br/comm/ and put them on the login form. See the image. Obs: "Remember me" memorize your login informations in your computer to future visits, don't use this function in public computers.

Pegue as informações de login e senha enviadas no seu e-mail, volte para o site e coloque-as no formulário de login como mostrado na imagem. Obs: "Remember-me" memoriza as informações de login no seu micro para visitas futuras, não use esta função em computadores públicos.



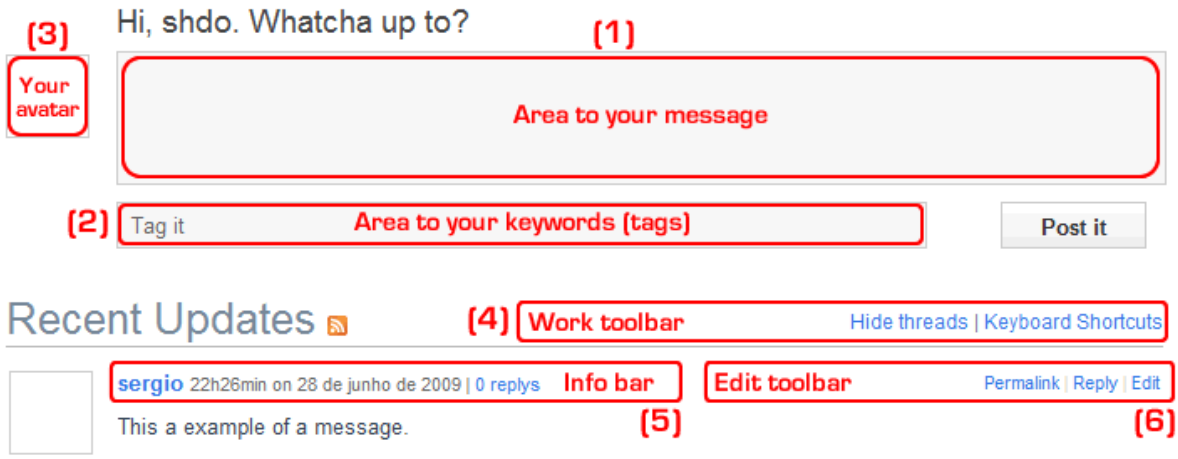
Please don't print this, help the planet!

Areas of the web site

Home: Main Page

See the red boxes on the image bellow to understand better the following instructions and descriptions:

1) After you log in web site this form is showed to you and you have the following areas to interact with the web site:



Area 1: Your Message

Write a message to send. In this place you put what you want, course, you can't put adds, pornography and language not polite for children, ok? Check the rules of the web site to don't do nothing wrong. After you "Tag it" your message then click on "Post it".

Area 2: Tag it

Tags are keywords that you can use to identify your message, in the future you can use them to find subjects interesting to you. For example, you write a message about English spoke in USA, them you put the follow tags on the "tag it" box: English, USA, tip.
The tags are **separated by commas** ",". The tags often are written in lower case and without spaces, but in Commboard you can use any case and with spaces too, the system does the necessary to format the tags to you.

Area 3: Avatar

This area show the image that identifies you, when you sign in this service you put an e-mail address, right? Then to load an image to show you must join in http://www.gravatar.com service and use the same e-mail address, load your image there and ready, your image appears in this web site and in any web site that use Gravatar's service.

Area 4: Work Toolbar

In this bar you have some configurations to do:

1) **Hide** / **Show Replies**: You activate or deactivate the replies/comments, if "hide", the web site don't show the comments made to messages, if "show" the comments are showing, but you are warn of it all comments arrived.

2) **Keyboard Shortcuts**: When clicked shows a box with the keyboard shortcuts. Shortcuts to you surf in the web site without to use a mouse, only keyboard. This is good to special users. The shortcuts are:
   - `c – compose new post`
   - `j – next post/next comment`
   - `k – previous post/previous comment`
   - `r – reply`
   - `e – edit`
   - `o – show/hide comments`
   - `t – go to top`
   - `esc – cancel and close the shortcut list box`

Area 5: Infobar

Infobar shows the nickname of the user that sent the message, the time, day, month, etc. And the number of replies of the message and the tags in use.

Area 6: Edit toolbar

Contains links about the post:

1) **Permalink**: is the abbreviation for Permanent Link, this means that is the link of this peculiar post and never will be changed, if you use this link, you have it. Then if you send this link to anyone, it always will be a valid link.
2) **Reply**: use this link to answer a message, click on it and a box appears to you write your comment.
3) **Edit**: use this link to reedit the message sent by you, only you can change your own message and you never can change the messages of other users. If you find something wrong in messages of others users, please, reply the post with the fault, like this you help the learning of the users.

The sidebar

There is a bar in right side of the web site, in blogs (web logs) often these bars are called sidebars. The sidebar of Commboard contains:

1) Login / Logout form: A form to you log in or log out on the web site.
2) Links to join and to recuperate your password forgot.
3) Form Search: A form to you look for words, tags, categories, etc.
4) Pages: Links to pages of the web site, home is the main, others are contact, about, help, etc.
5) Calendar: To you see which days have posts, when you click on a day in the calendar, if the day have posts the web site shows the post from that day. You can still to navigate following to previous months.
6) Archives: Are links to see the post from a specific month.

7) Translate: Click on the flag of the country to select the language that you want to translate. The web site calls the Google translate service, which shows the all the texts of the web site translated.

The tags cloud

At the end of the web site you look for many words in an order-mess, these words are the tags with more occur in the posts, how much bigger the font-size, many turns the word was used. The tags cloud shows the firsts 35 tags with more use. You can use to see what subject the people are posting.

Advanced Use

Posting with style

You can use the follow HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) tags to personalize your post:

1) Bold

Put the text between the tags and , for example, this text will be in bold style.
The tags and have the same visual effect but "strong" is to be read with the voice in a strong sound, is great for screen readers software, used by people without vision.

2) Italic

Put the text between the tags and , for example, this text will be in italic style.
The tags and have the same visual effect but "em" is emphasis, them use when you want to show that a word is important, the searches engines like this.

Posting videos

Visit youtube.com and play some video. Copy the video URL and insert it in your post, surrounded by square brackets – [URL]. You can insert as many as you like in the same post or page. All the variations will work as well…

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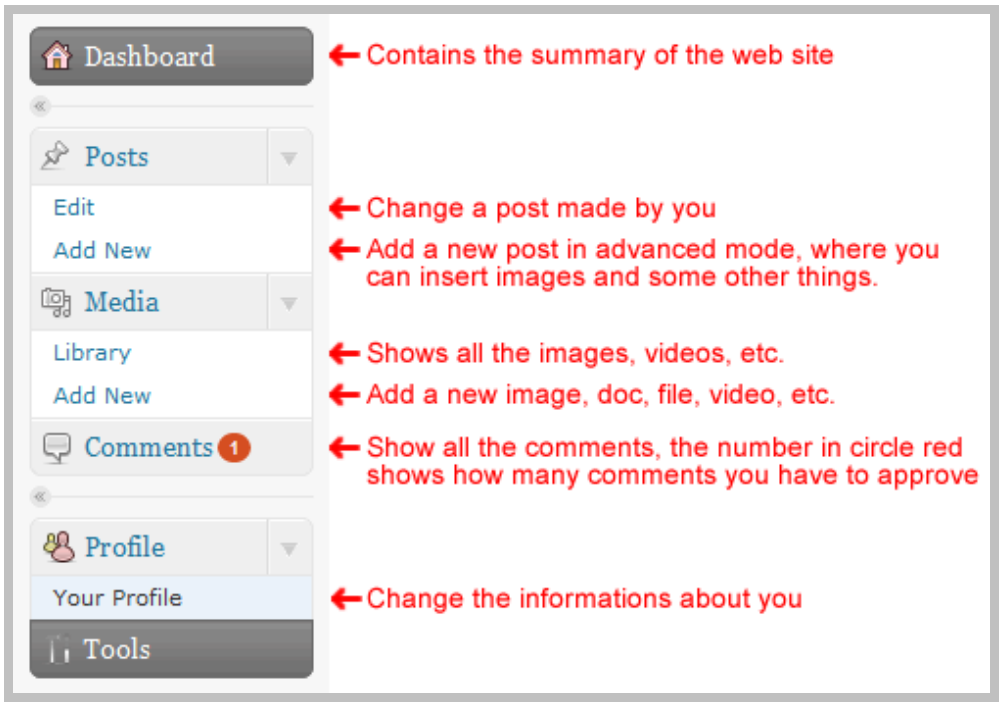
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx&feature=related]
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx]
[http://youtube.com/watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx]
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx]
[youtube.com/watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx]
[watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx]
[v=xxxxxxxxxx]
[xxxxxxxxxx]
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxxxxxxxxx&feature=related]
will work too!
```

(credits fo this function are to Casper Software)

The Site Admin

Follow the steps
1) Login in the web site and then click on **Site Admin** link. See the image.

2) The web site redirects you to your dashboard and you have the following options, each section has some help that you find during the navigation in the options.


Dashboard
Contains the summary of the web site
Posts
Edit
Change a post made by you
Add New
Add a new post in advanced mode, where you can insert images and some other things.
Media
Library
Shows all the images, videos, etc.
Add New
Add a new image, doc, file, video, etc.
Comments 1
Show all the comments, the number in circle red shows how many comments you have to approve
Profile
Your Profile
Change the informations about you
Tools

The most important is fill your profile to increase your social network. The areas can be different, depend of the user level (access rights) in the web site that you are.

How up to load your avatar

If you want you can change the image of "Mystery Man" to your photo in avatar. This web site use Gravatar's service. Gravatar is a web site where you make an account and upload your avatar image, them in all web sites that apply this service, your avatar is showed. This service identifies you by your e-mail address.
To create your account, please visit the link:
http://gravatar.com/
You must create an account using the same e-mail address that you used to join in Commboard.

Information

Rules

To keep this web site a good place, please consider the following rules:

- Don't post pornography.
- Don't post adds.
- Don't answer with not polite words to anybody.
- Don't reply something only to reply. Do something good.
- Enough!

How to participate of the administration?

There is many ways to contribute with the project. Any of them:

Turns a contributor

We need English teachers or anyone with a good know in language English, to revise translated texts, help information, tables, grammar tables, images, etc. Little work for while. Without payments, course, it is a volunteer work, because we don't have a company, support or sponsorship to keep us.

Help with software's development

You're welcome to developer group if you want to participate of Commboard's development.

The web site is building using free software. The main engine is licensed under GNU GENERAL PUBLIC LICENSE version 2. If you are interesting in source code of the software, write to webmaster or you can consult the link http://wordpress.org/ before, to know the technology.

Contact

To contact the webmaster you can use the contact form in the page Contact in the web site Commboard http://shdo.com.br/comm/ or send an e-mail to shdosoftwares@gmail.com

About this help

This help is under construction yet, if you find something wrong, please, send me a message, using the contact page in the web site, replying a post or by e-mail: shdosoftwares@gmail.com

With the time I go writing more and make revisions on this document. If you want to contribute, please, consider to contact me.

About the webmaster

Hi, I'm Sérgio Henrique, I build Commboard's web site. I'm a pupil of English Language yet and joint some software know with the idea of a communications board

to students and build the web site using free software, some draws and some know in English language to write the pages, design, new functions, etc.

This is a volunteer work. In the begin it was a work that I made to learn English, now I decided put it on the web to help me learn English and other people.

I hope you enjoy the web site and the interactions created by it and I hope you win too much know using the web site. Let's see if it all works.

Interact started!
Thank you for interesting it!

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